



Marine Safety Information Bulletin

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August 3, 2008

Weather Advisory

Southeast Texas – Southwest Louisiana

The National Weather Service has issued the following weather advisory:

**"SPECIAL TROPICAL DISTURBANCE STATEMENT
NWS TPC/NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER MIAMI FL
1100 AM EDT SUN AUG 3 2008**

SATELLITE IMAGERY AND SURFACE OBSERVATIONS INDICATE THAT A LOW PRESSURE AREA HAS FORMED IN THE NORTHERN GULF OF MEXICO ABOUT 150 MILES SOUTH OF PENSACOLA FLORIDA. ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS ARE marginally FAVORABLE FOR ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENT...AND A TROPICAL DEPRESSION COULD FORM DURING THE NEXT DAY OR SO AS THE SYSTEM MOVES TOWARDS THE WEST. AN AIR FORCE RESERVE HURRICANE HUNTER AIRCRAFT IS SCHEDULED TO INVESTIGATE THE AREA THIS AFTERNOON. INTERESTS IN THE NORTHWESTERN GULF OF MEXICO SHOULD MONITOR THE PROGRESS OF THIS SYSTEM."

Mariners and facilities are encouraged to take appropriate severe weather precautions and frequently check the National Weather Service website <http://forecast.weather.gov> for complete and updated information.

This notice will be posted on the HOMEPOR website <http://homeport.uscg.mil>. If you have any questions, please call MSU Port Arthur at (409) 723-6500.

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